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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1.   (Cancelled)

2.   (Cancelled)

3.   (Cancelled)

4.   (Cancelled)

5.   (Cancelled)

6.   (Cancelled)

7.   (Cancelled)

8.   (Cancelled)

9.   (Currently Amended) A method comprising:

running guest software in a processor mode that enables the guest software to

operate at a privilege level intended by the guest software;

identifying an attempt of the guest software to perform an operation restricted by

said processor mode;

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determining that the attempt of the guest software would fail if the guest software

was running outside said processor mode; and

allowing the guest software to attempt the operation in response to determining

that the attempt would fail.

10.   (Cancelled)

11.   (Cancelled)

12.   (Cancelled)

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31.   (Previously Presented) The method of claim 9 wherein determining that the

attempt of the guest software would fail includes determining that the guest software

is running with insufficient privilege to perform the operation.

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